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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claims 1-143 (canceled)

Claim 15 (currently amended): A method of providing axial and circumferential compliance to an intraluminal prosthesis stent/graft composite, comprising:

- (a) combining a polytetrafluoroethylene <u>tape</u> strip and a distensible support structure to form an assembly strip; and
- (b) combining said assembly strip with a substantially continuous inner tubular body support by wrapping said assembly strip about said inner tubular body support in a non-overlapping pattern, such that the [[assembly]] distensible support structure is placed in contact with said tubular inner body and said tape strip completely covers the distensible support structure forming a non-continuous outer tubular body of polytetrafluoroethylene components.

Claim 16 (original): The method of claim 15 wherein segments of said assembly strip are wrapped circumferentially about said inner tubular body support, to form a non-continuous outer tubular body of polytetrafluoroethylene components.

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Claim 17 (canceled)

Claim 18 (amended): The method of claim [[17]] 15, wherein the assembly strip is wrapped with a plurality of helical turns around the inner tubular body, each helical turn defining one of said polytetrafluoroethylene components.

Claim 19 (amended): A method of making an implantable intraluminal stent/graft composite prosthesis comprising:

- a) providing a continuous ePTFE tubular inner body;
- b) wrapping a stent [[about]] <u>against</u> said continuous ePTFE tubular inner body, in a non-overlapping relationship; and
- c) wrapping an ePTFE strip about the tubular inner body and stent, to completely overly the stent.

Claim 20 (amended): A method of making an implantable intraluminal stent/graft prosthesis, comprising:

- a) providing an ePTFE strip, having a length greater than its width;
- b) providing an unwrapped stent;
- c) assembling the stent with the strip to make an assembly strip with a stent side and an ePTFE strip side;
  - d) providing a continuous tubular inner body; and

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e) wrapping the assembly strip around the inner body in non-overlapping relationship, such that <u>said stent side is placed against said inner body and</u> the stent is completely covered.

Claim 21 (New): A method of claim 15 wherein said combining step (a) includes: applying said supporting structure to one side of said tape strip.

Claim 22 (New): A method of claim 21 wherein said applying step further includes:

positioning said supporting structure on said one side of said tape strap in a wavelike pattern.

Claim 23 (New): A method of claim 21 wherein said combining step (b) includes: positioning said one side of said tape strap onto said inner tubular body.